THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Central Govt. projects each costing over Rs. 20 crores are being monitored through the quarterly reporting system. Of these, the projects each costing over Rs. 100 crores are intensively monitored through monthly Flash Report system.

(c) to (e) Depending on the project cycle time, the targets for completion and commissioning are fixed. Government constantly reviews the implementation status of each of the project and takes appropriate follow up measures which include—

—Issue of directions for ensuring continuity of tenure of project head until the completion of the proejcts and 2-3 years beyond to ensure accountability for implementation.

—Indepth periodical review of progress of project by administrative Ministries and constant pressure on project authorities for expeditious completion.

—Emphasis on realistic project implementation plan.

—Close follow up by concerned Ministries and project authorities with State Governments, equipment suppliers, contractors, consultants and other concerned agencies to minimise the delays.

Establishment of propellant factory at Warangal in Andhra Pradesh

1391. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a team of officers visited Andhra Pradesh for site selection in the State for the establishment of the proposed Propellant Factory under the Ordnance Factory Board, Calcutta and the Ministry of Defence in finalising the choice of the site and that the recommendation of the selection committee are being processed;

(b) if so, what are the details of the recommendation and the progress made so far in taking the final decision regarding the location of the proposed Propellant Factory; and

(c) whether Warangal district is also being considered for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. Among other States, the team of Officers had also visited Andhra Pradesh;

(b) and (c) In connection with the proposal for the setting up of a propellant factory in the country, various sites, including Warangal, had been evaluated by the Site Selection Committee. Government are yet to take a decision in the matter. As the recommendations are classified, it would not be in the public interest to reveal the same.

Vaccine for Polio eradication Programme

1392. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to make available adequate quantity of polio vaccine in view of national programme for the eradication of polio;

(b) what is the quantity of anti-polio vaccine imported and that which is produced indigenously and the institutes which cater such vaccine; and

(c) whether Government have also sponsored private companies for the production of this vaccine, if so, whether a firm in Lonavala in Maharashtra State has been selected for the purpose and the type of assistance to be given to this company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY